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Ms. Williams:

I understand that your department (Dept. of Telecommunications and Cable) is collecting concerns regarding the quality of Verizon land-line phone service. I am a self-employed consultant in Leverett, MA, and rely on my phone line for business as well as personal use. Whenever we have a period of wet weather, there is such a severe background hum on my line that I often cannot understand the caller and need to ask them to repeat, more than once. This background noise also makes it sometimes impossible to understand voice-mail messages. This is a severe impediment to my business and is totally unsatisfactory in a state that prides itself on being seat of technological innovation. Please work for us all, for better phone service.

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